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French Scuttle Fleet As Germans Occupy Toulon

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Dog-House Anderson

House-Dog Congressmen

Roy Anderson is singing the blues today—and it isn't post-Thanksgiving indigestion. Roy is in the dog-house with several Hope families. He got some hard-working housewives to prepare Thanksgiving dinner for Service men—but some of the boys didn't show up. You know what war is.

It was like this: Hope Chamber of Commerce asked Roy to head up a committee to arrange Thanksgiving night dinners in local homes for such rank-and-file men as could get away from the Southwestern Proving Ground. Lists of available men were obtained, and Hope families arranged to entertain them.

But war is the natural enemy of society—including arrangements for Thanksgiving dinner.

Came Thursday afternoon, and two things happened: An emergency at the SPG called Lt. Garrison out of the Hope-Pine Bluff game where he was officiating as umpire, and also tied up some of the soldiers who expected to get off duty Thursday night—and several other soldiers were unexpectedly transferred away from Hope.

The net result was that several Hope families sat down to Thanksgiving dinner at night instead of at noon, and with vacant chairs where uninvited guests should have been.

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Congressmen are catching thunder for behaving like doleful housewives while the OPA enforces gasoline rationing on the wide open spaces of America.

I'll let Walter Sorrells, editor of Pine Bluff Commercial, speak his usually forceful piece. Says Sorrells:

"Personally we have no objection to gas rationing since it's a sensible holding on war, or anything to us. However, there is something about it that we cannot fully understand."

"A person who is not engaged in war work on essential work requires four gallons of gas per week. These holders of a Ration book have turned in their excess tires, if they had any. Hence, just why persons whose driving has no bearing on the war effort at all, should be restricted to four gallons of gasoline per week is difficult to understand."

"To be sure, we can and do understand why the government wants us to restrain our driving or persons engaged in essential work to conserve their tires, but what earthly difference does it make if the clerk in a clothing store or grocery store, or the editor of a newspaper or the housewife who has a car of her own, drive their car as much as they please until the tires are gone."

"When their tires are gone it will not have any bearing on the war effort. Unless it is the intention to take their remaining tires in the immediate future."

"If there are any disputes," he asserted, "they will be resolved in such a way as to preclude the possibility of there being any difficulty in people generally going about their activities without interference, until the matter can be straightened out."

With no new rubber available, Jeffers testified, "we face the absolute necessity of the rationing program, which will enable us to continue essential driving through the fall of 1943 and spring of 1944."

Jeffers said the production of synthetic rubber was clouded by "ifs" including a big "if" in regard to "the success of the processes and the size and continuity of output."

He added: "While all the experiments are good, and the outlook is reasonably bright, I deem it plain common sense at a time like this to err on the side of conservatism."

President Roosevelt's order left congressional opponents of rationing with the alternative of giving up the fight or carrying it to the floor of Congress.

Jeffers testified that if all the nation's motorists would read the Baruch rubber report, "I don't think any sort of pressure would change their minds" as to the necessity for rationing.

His statement was echoed by Price Administrator Leon Henderson who asserted objections to the program in some localities indicated "propaganda work."

Jeffers told the committee that Transportation Director Joseph Eastman thought the county agricultural agent in each county should make final determination of the gasoline needs of the farmers and stockmen in his locality.

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Japs Cling to Main Positions at Buna-Gona

—War in Pacific

By C. YATES MACDONALD
Aluled Headquarters in Australia, Nov. 27.—(P)—Reinforced by strong and well-equipped Marine units, Japanese troops crammed into the narrow Buna-Gona beachhead are holding their major positions in the face of day long air assaults and steady but slightly abated pressure from Allied ground forces.

Comparatively meager official reports from the New Guinea front today showed little gear, material change in the battle picture in the last 24 hours.

But a check on the Japanese dead confirmed earlier indications that the enemy, despite severe blows by Gen. Douglas MacArthur's aerial squadrons, had succeeded in bringing reinforcements into action.

Since the night of Nov. 19, United States and Australian bombers have sunk a Japanese cruiser, four destroyers and two landing boats, have heavily hit and probably sunk a fifth destroyer and damaged another moving toward the 12-mile shoreline still in Lieut. Gen. Tomotaro Horii's hands.

A dispatch from New Guinea front said frantic Japanese resistance and "beautifully placed defense positions" confronted American troops in the Papua peninsula campaign, but they were determined to crush the enemy.

(Gains were made tortuously, by feet and by yards. Enemy gun positions still slowly, one by one.

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Paul V. McNutt, now manpower chief and federal security administrator, would succeed Ickes at Interior, and Francis Perkins, now secretary of labor, would become federal security head, if the plan is adopted.

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Five Arkansans Listed As Dead by U. S. Navy

Washington, Nov. 27.—(P)—Ten Arkansans—five dead, three wounded and two missing—were included in the Navy 17th casualty list of the war issued last night.

The list covered Nov. 1-15 inclusive. It included the following:

Dead:

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Second Class Seaman G. E. Perry Johnson, USNR, son of Jesse Johnson, Ozark.

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Second Class Seaman Donald W. Thompson, USN, son of Willard M. Thompson, Warren.

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Reinforced Russian Army Increases Danger to Nazi Troops Before Stalingrad

By EDDY GILMORE

Moscow, Nov. 27.—(P)—Danger deepened hourly for Hitler's battered spearhead at Stalingrad today, the latest battle dispatches indicated, as fresh strength poured into the aggressive Red Army garrison over newly won land route and fast-wheeling field columns cut across the besiegers' lifelines to the west.

A confused war of movement swirled across the broad steppes west of Stalingrad and it was impossible to define battlelines clearly, but overnight dispatches said that in some places the Red offensive gained such momentum that fleeing Germans were frustrated in efforts to burn warplanes on fields overwhelmed too swiftly to permit takeoffs.

Reports of planes were reported captured undamaged at one airfield in a sector described only as "a hole in the sky."

Overnight reports pushed to 115,000 the number of Axis soldiers said to have been killed or captured in the nine-day-old drive, with possibly another 150,000 wounded.

(The German radio not only acknowledged the Russians' advance on the offensive around Stalingrad but explained earlier reports of a major Soviet drive developing west of Rzhev some 600 miles to the north.

(Latest Berlin broadcasts told of Russian attacks in the Volga-Ural region 200 miles west of Moscow and only 100 miles from the front. (The German radio said massive Soviet tank forces had achieved a fairly deep penetration northwest of Moscow.

(The Russian communiques spoke of only artillery activity on the northwestern front and no mention was made of tanks or aircraft, save there but the German radio might be striking out on an even greater scale or that it did last winter when it threw the Germans back from the gates of Moscow.)

Both developments were announced in a Berlin radio broadcast.

The position of the task force striking at Tunis was not stated, but an Allied communiqué earlier announced that British first Army troops, striking northeastward, had captured Mejez El Bab, 30 miles southwest of Tunis, over stiff resistance and were "advancing successfully."

Mejez El Bab lies a thwart the railway line and one of two highways between Tunis and Bizerte, in which Hitler has concentrated the majority of German and Italian troops in Tunisia. London communiqués estimate their numbers at 26,000. It is 40 miles northwest of the capital, Tunis, toward the Mediterranean coast, runs another highway between Bizerte and Tunis.

The Moroccan radio said all ground engagement this far's fought amid the first showers of the Tunisian rainy season, had been on a small scale. It reported the French forces under Gen. Henri Honore Giraud were advancing rapidly eastward in cooperation with the British and American troops.

The Berlin radio declared the German air force had gained air superiority over Tunisia "with lightning speed," but offered no statistics in support of the statement.

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The Nebraska senator was understood to have written the president recommending Brown highly and to have received a reply agreeing that Brown, a former Michigan lawyer, had excellent qualifications for the post. The president's letter, Dead:

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Proposed Pipeline Meets Opposition

Little Rock, Nov. 27.—(P)—The Arkansas Utilities Commission joined Louisiana today in protesting an application by the Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., proposing construction of a large pipeline to deliver natural gas from south Louisiana fields to east Tennessee, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

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SOCIETY

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Social Calendar

Mrs. Nichols and Mr. Lavin are wed at Chautaukha ceremony. A beautiful and quiet wedding on Thursday evening, November 26. Miss Julia Norfleet Nichols, daughter of Mrs. T. L. Nichols and the late Mr. Nichols of Parkdale, became the bride of John Thomas Lavin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shepherd of Gurdon. The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock in the First Baptist church with the pastor, the Reverend William R. Hamilton, officiating at the single marriage service.

Preceding the nuptial service, Mrs. Jess Davis, organist, played "O Promise Me" and "I Love You Truly". Liebstrum and Massay's Elegy were softly played during the exchange of vows.

NEW SAENGER

Friday - Saturday

GLAMOUR GIRL SLAIN IN TUNNEL OF DOOM!

VAN HEFLIN as "Rocky Custer" in

GRAND CENTRAL MURDER

Cast: PARKER, SWEENEY, HINDS
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Captain Midnight

Plus

THRILLING ROMANCE!

RIDERS of the NORTHLAND

CHARLES STARRETT • RUS HAYDEN

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A SHAMROCK IN HIS HEART

...and dynamite in his fist!

TRY MOROLINE HAIR TONIC - 10¢

New SAENGER

Sunday - Monday - Tuesday

GENTLEMAN JIM

starring ERROL FLYNN ALEXIS SMITH

Friday - Saturday

George Montgomery Maureen O'Hara

in

"Ten Gentlemen From West Point"

Plus Don Red Barry

in

"Stage Coach Express"

Sunday - Monday

Brought Back to Thrill you again!

"King Kong"

with Bruce Cabot Fay Wray

Also IN THE CIRCUS

Bobcats Nosed Out 20 to 14 by Pine Bluff

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

Pine Bluff and Hope closed the 1942 football season here with a Thanksgiving Day thriller which the Zebras wrapped up in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter and took home as a 20-to-14 victory.

But it was close all the way, with the lead constantly changing, and the teams battling over a one-point margin that was not turned into victory until the visitors put over their third touchdown in the final minutes of play.

Pine Bluff was without the services of its backfield star, the high-scoring Shorty Turechi, confined to a Little Rock hospital with a ruptured kidney—but it didn't make much difference. His backfield halfback, Baldwin, covered himself with glory, galloping to two touchdowns, while Quarterback McNeill accounted for the other Striped Mule tally.

The game boasted J. C. McCullough, Hope halfback and candidate for all-state honors, further along in the race for top scoring honors in the state, as he went over for one touchdown.

Preliminary to the kickoff, Miss Mary Jo Dierckson, queen and her maid were escorted from the field in a formal procession.

The bride, who entered alone, wore a woolen dress of dusty rose with wine velvet trim. Her accessories were black. A shoulder corsage of sweethearts roses completed her costume. A string of heirloom pearls was her only ornament.

Miss Pauline Hatcher was her sister's maid of honor and only attendant. Her dress was of black velvet and her corsage was of spilt carnations in pink.

Roy Crank was Mr. Dillard's best man.

After the ceremony dinner was served members of the wedding party and the guests. Red roses were used to decorate the dining room.

Out-of-town guests for the wedding included: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crank of Texarkana, Mrs. Delma Bales, sister of the groom, of Macon, Miss., and Pvt. Ross McCall of the Southwestern Proving Ground.

Thursday Party is Given at the Barlow.

Among the many dinners given Thursday was the party hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pankay of Emmet at the Barlow at noon.

Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ledbetter of Plain Dealing, La., Miss Sara Lou Ledbetter, Miss Mae Dell Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. Panky.

The circular table was centered with an arrangement of yellow and white chrysanthemums in a crystal bowl.

Coming and Going

Miss Nell Louise Broyles of Henderson State Teachers College is among the college girls home for the Thanksgiving holidays. She is the guest of her parents, Mr. and J. C. Broyles.

Mrs. W. R. Herndon departs today for Shreveport to spend a few days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Finney Ward of Ashdown were Thursday guests of

Mrs. Garrett Story, Jr. and children have returned to their home in Minden after a week's visit in the Garrett Story home.

Mrs. Guy Card and daughter, Joan, are in Little Rock for the remainder of the week with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Fulmer.

In the closing minutes of play Pine Bluff kicked to Hope. The ball was brought out by the Hope 20. After a ground play Stanford passed to McCullough from the Hope 25 to the 45. Another pass, this time McCullough to Stanford, put the ball on Pine Bluff's 45.

McCullough plunged to the Pine Bluff 38.

But the Bobcats tried one more pass—and Pine Bluff intercepted, ending the scoring threat which might have tied or won the ball game. It ended with the ball in Pine Bluff's possession in mid-field.

First downs were: Pine Bluff 13; Hope 9.

.545 for the Season

The teams were evenly matched, and their season records were similar.

Hope closed the season with six victories and five defeats, for a season percentage of .545.

In the Arkansas High School Conference Hope's standing was .500, with three wins and three losses.

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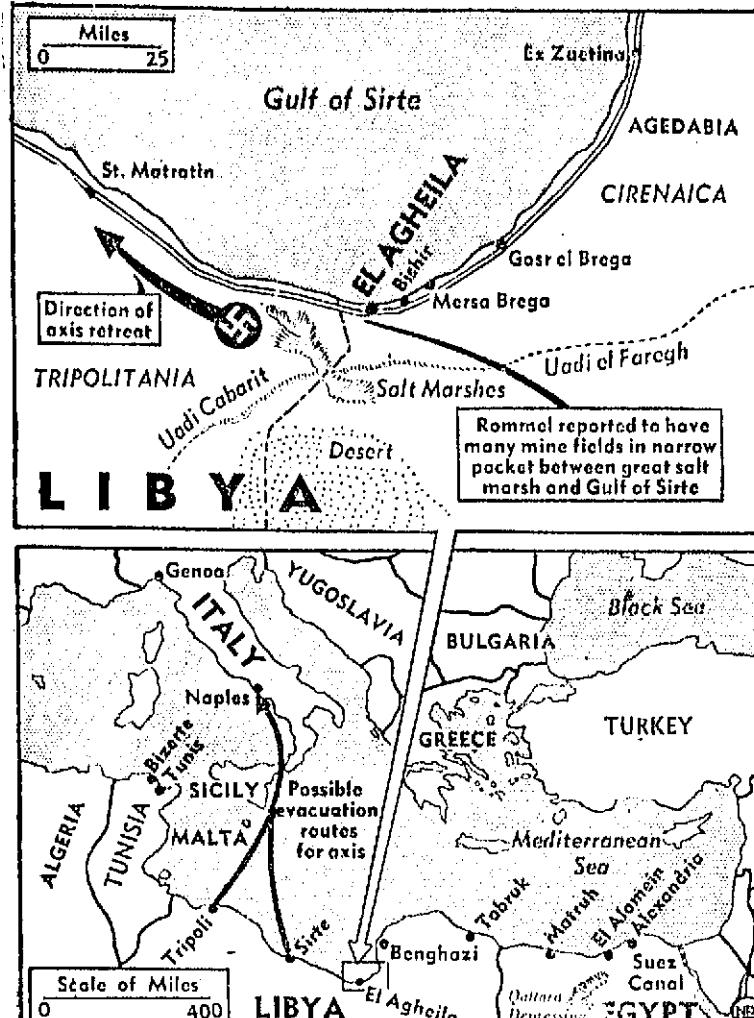
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El Agheila--Rommel's El Alamein?



German General Rommel's fleeing axis armies may have in El Agheila, Libya, the same kind of a bottleneck defense that saved Suez and the British army at El Alamein, Egypt. There the Qattara Depression formed a natural barrier leaving only a 40-mile wide strip for the British to defend. El Agheila, at the bottom of the roller-coaster bend between Benghazi and Tripoli is only 25 miles from the edge of the salt marshes that enclose a narrow passage along the Gulf of Sirte. Even if remaining axis forces are not strong enough to hold off the British until an evacuation can be made at Tripoli or other points along the Libyan coast,

And This Little Pig---



"What's all the shouting about?" asks eight-year-old Lola McKay, Los Angeles, when her elders moan about the possibility of meat rationing. She carries her own supply—a 27-pound porker she will exhibit at the Great Western Livestock show.

Santa Solves Manpower Problem



With our soldiers, sailors and Marines scattered all over the globe, Santa finds himself shorthanded, so the jolly old saint has drafted Mrs. Santa to take over his place in a Chicago department store.

Getting Tough—The Navy Way



Navy puts 1850 Aviation Cadets, who are receiving pre-flight training at North Carolina, through rigorous paces. To practice leaving a stricken ship, left, they leap into pool fully clothed from special rigging. Lieut. (j.g.) Hank Reese, right, shows Cadet Richard Carlton fine art of gouging and removing gun from enemy.

Fares to the Fair



A job that does double duty for the country is that held by Mrs. Marguerite Watson, Detroit Street Railway's first conductorette of this war. Not only does her job release a man for war work but as a street railway employee she helps get thousands of war workers to their jobs daily.

Simply a Shortage



"The darned things are just a nuisance anyway," beams little Rita Mignon Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Payne, Memphis, Tenn., when told younger generation might face a diaper shortage.

Georgia Guide



Ken Keuper, above, could kick in in a pinch, but lends Frankie Sinkwich and all-conquering Georgia more valuable assistance from quarterback position as a blocker from Blockersville.



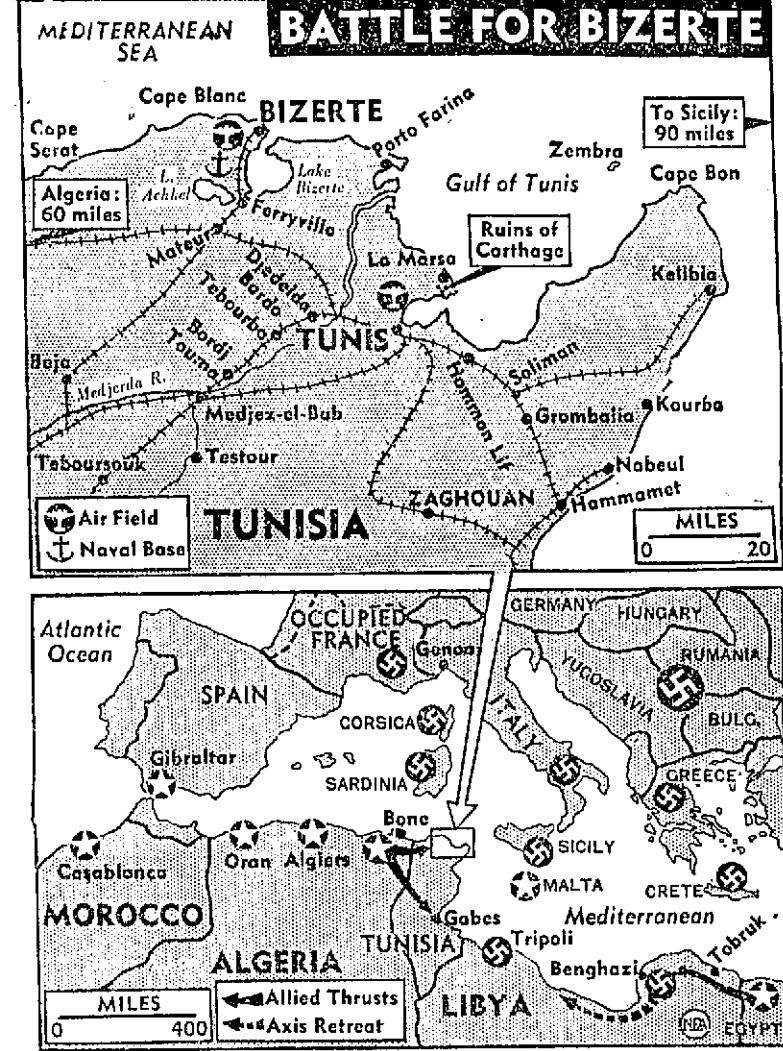
Bushy-haired New Guinea native puts his husky arms to pushing a gasoline drum at an Australian supply depot. These one-time "wildmen" are reported aiding allied forces in many ways.

Parked in Parkas



Things should warm up in the frozen north when these parka-clad USO cuties start entertaining our armed forces in Alaska. The girls donned Arctic attire just before setting sail. Lending the proper military atmosphere is Lieut. George O. Young, of the Army Air Forces.

Periscope Picture of Jap Liner



Key to control of the western Mediterranean is the French naval base of Bizerte, now bearing the brunt of battle between allied and axis forces in Tunisia. Bizerte and nearby Tunis are just across a narrow, 90-mile strait from Sicily, the Nazis' island "aircraft carrier" in mid-Mediterranean. Map shows closeup of Bizerte battle area and its relation to other north African fighting fronts.

Good for Gas?



West Coast wiles are all very good, but Jacqueline White of Los Angeles will find an A-card more effective in obtaining those needed gallons, with gasoline rationing in effect.

Is This How It Started?

**National Platform
of the
Workers (Communist) Party**

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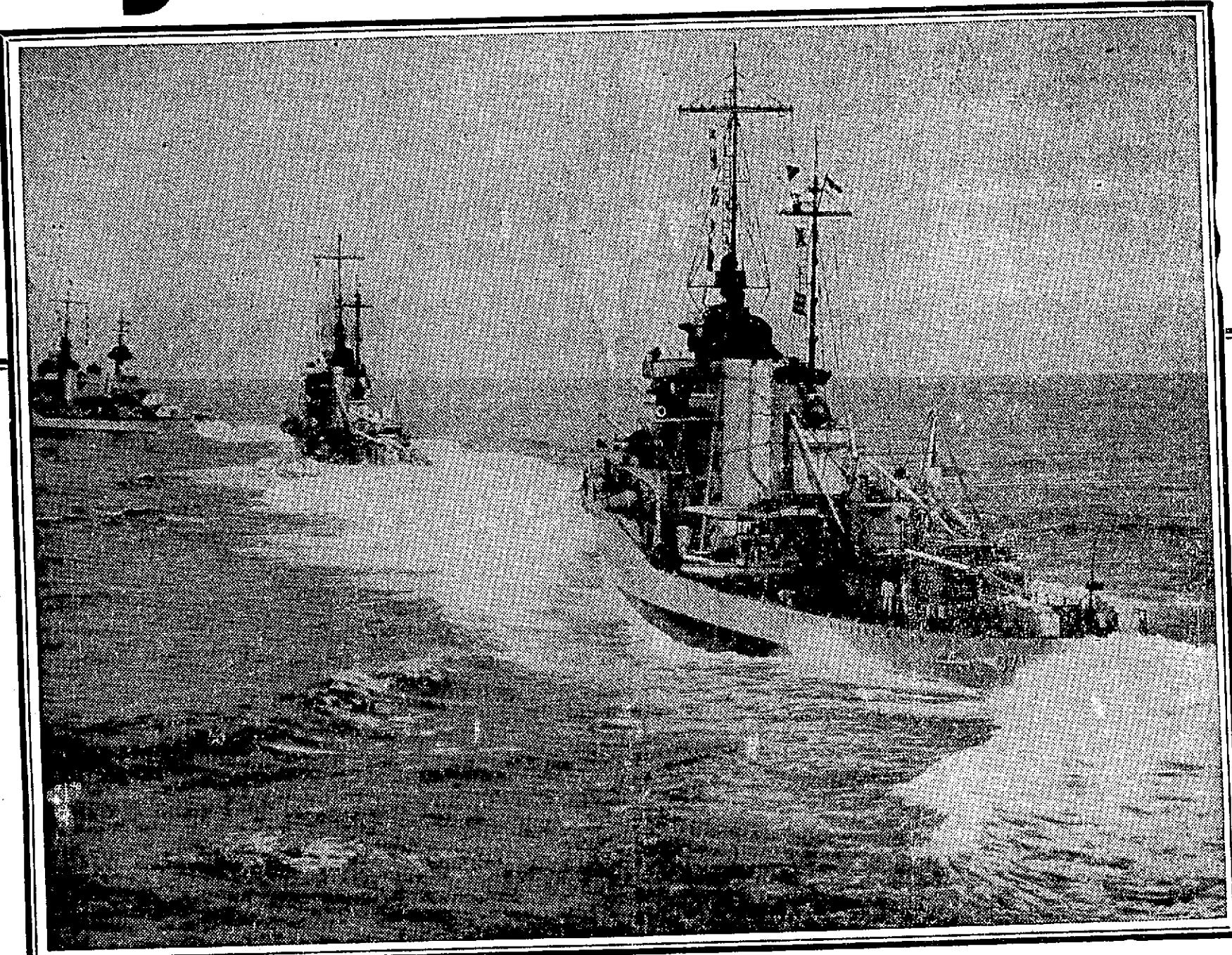
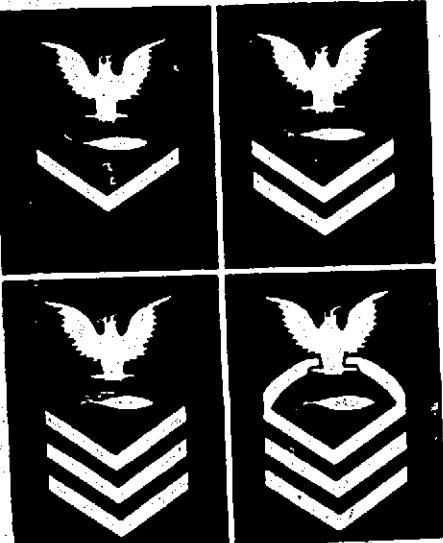
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3. Tax exemption for all working and雇佣 farmers.
4. Graduated income tax, starting with incomes above \$5,000 and increasing gradually, so that all incomes over \$25,000 per year are confiscated.
5. All tax exemptions on bonds, stocks and securities must be abolished.
6. Graduated inheritance and gift taxes on great fortunes must be introduced.

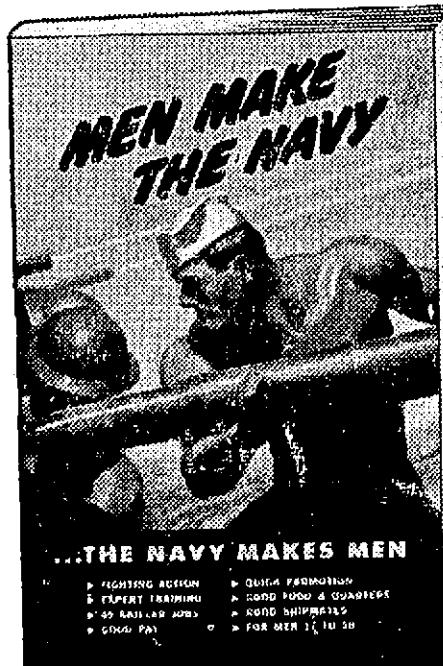
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